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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Toshiaki KURIYAMA and Yasuko INUI  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING N-VINYL COMPOUND POLYMER  
Assignee: **NIPPON SHOKUBAI CO., LTD.** and  
**DAI-ICHI KOGYO SEIYAKU CO., LTD.**  
Our Ref: Q76471

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/920,745 (Confirmation No. 5930) filed August 3, 2001 of Toshiaki KURIYAMA and Yasuko INUI entitled PROCESS FOR PRODUCING N-VINYL COMPOUND POLYMER.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement, with a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1713.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/920,745 filed August 3, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	P. 2000-243586	August 11, 2000

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/920,745.



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Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u>\$280.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>								<u><b>\$1030.00</b></u>

A check for the statutory fee of \$1030.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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